

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1927

Introduced by Assembly Member Knight

February 17, 2010

An act to add Section 1360.2 to the Civil Code, relating to common interest developments.

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AB 1927, as introduced, Knight. Real property: common interest developments.

The Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act provides for the creation and regulation of common interest developments. Under existing law, a common interest development is managed by an association pursuant to the provisions of the governing documents of the development.

This bill would provide that a governing document that is amended, adopted, or recorded on or after January 1, 2011, shall not prohibit the rental or lease of a separate interest in a common interest development, unless the provision imposing the prohibition is approved by $\frac{2}{3}$ of all of the owners of separate interests, as provided.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares that the rights
- 2 of common interest development owners to rent or lease their
- 3 properties, as the rights existed at the time they acquired them,
- 4 should be protected by the State of California. The Legislature

1 further finds and declares that a common interest development
2 creates a unique home ownership model that is unlike the status
3 of a single family home in a traditional neighborhood. Property
4 owners and residents who purchase units within, and live in, a
5 common interest development governed by a homeowner's
6 association have agreed to live under rules and guidelines created
7 by a democratic process. It is best, therefore, as provided herein,
8 that the owners of units within a common interest development
9 determine, through the exercise of a democratic decisionmaking
10 process, what is best for their communities.

11 SEC. 2. Section 1360.2 is added to the Civil Code, to read:

12 1360.2. (a) A governing document that is amended, adopted,
13 or recorded on or after January 1, 2011, shall not prohibit the rental
14 or lease of a separate interest in a common interest development,
15 except as provided in this section.

16 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the governing documents
17 to the contrary, if a common interest development adopts a
18 governing document or an amendment to a governing document
19 that prohibits the rental or lease of a separate interest in a common
20 interest development, that provision shall be approved by a vote
21 of all the owners of separate interests in the common interest
22 development.

23 (c) The vote required by subdivision (b) shall be by means of
24 a written ballot approved by not less than two-thirds of all of the
25 owners of separate interests in the common interest development.